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FEDERATION FOR AMERICAN IMMIGRATION REFORM

September 17, 2018

The Honorable Andy Biggs
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Biggs,

On behalf of the Federation for American Immigration Reform's (FAIR) over 2 million members and supporters nationwide, I am writing to thank you for introducing H.R.6657, the Fund and Complete the Border Wall Act.

In 2016, during one of the most watched presidential election cycles in American history, then-candidate Donald Trump invigorated voters with his hardline stance against illegal immigration and the promise to build a physical wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. These promises drew enthusiastic crowds on the campaign trail and eventually at the polls. Undoubtedly, the border wall is the clearest mandate this government was elected to uphold.

Today, much of the existing barrier along the southern border hardly qualifies as a fence, let alone a wall. In fact, many stretches consist of nothing more than a "vehicle barrier" that fails to slow down foot traffic. The remainder of the fence is a mixture of easily climbed, poorly installed corrugated panels and other ad hoc materials. Significant funding is needed to even begin construction.

Your legislation would, among other things, decrease foreign aid from countries whose citizens are apprehended in the United States after illegally crossing the border between the United States and Mexico by \$2,000 per illegal alien. That money would then be transferred to a border wall trust fund. Additionally, your legislation would impose a 5% fee on all remittance transfers if the recipient of that transfer is located outside of the United States. Those fees would also be redirected to the border wall trust fund.



Undoubtedly, the border wall is the clearest mandate this government was elected to uphold, and your legislation is a valuable step in that direction. For the aforementioned reasons, FAIR applauds you for introducing this bill. If this important piece of legislation is considered on the House floor, FAIR will include the vote in our voting report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Stein', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dan Stein
President